



## PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 5392

Takeki SHIRAI et al.

Art Unit: 3682

Application No.: 10/090,734

Examiner: Hannon, Thomas R.

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### PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Date: February 13, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated October 11, 2005 from January 11, 2006 to February 11, 2006 (February 11=Saturday; February 12=Sunday). Attached is our check in the amount of \$120.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Docket No. 027905-00002.

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Respectfully submitted,

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